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E.O. 11652: GDS

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SUBJECT: LANDING RIGHTS AT HANEDA AIRPORT

1. US-KOREA ECONOMIC COUNCIL HAS HAD PLANS FOR 50 PERSON BUSINESS/INVESTMENT TEAM TO FLY NEW YORK TO SEOUL BY NWA BUT ROK EMBASSY INSISTED TEAM USE KAL CHARTER FOR TOKYO-SEOUL PORTION. EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR HENDERSON AGREED ONLY TO LEARN SEPTEMBER 3 THAT KAL REQUEST LAST WEEK FOR LANDING RIGHTS AT HANEDA HAD BEEN REFUSED.

2. HENDERSON SAYS TOK EMBASSY ECON-MIN YANG YOONSAE UNABLE GET RECONSIDERATION EITHER THROUGH ROGK OR ROK EMBASSY TOKYO. HE BELIEVES TRIP MIGHT HAVE TO BE CANCELLED BECAUSE OF TEAM DEFECTIONS IF LANDING RIGHTS HANEDA FOR KAL BOEING 727 NOT OBTAINED.

3. THEREFORE, EMBASSY REQUESTED INQUIRE OF JAPAN CAB ABOUT LANDING RIGHTS FOR KAL AND SEEK RELAXATION TO PERMIT KAL ACCOMMODATE THIS MISSION. RECOGNIZE THIS UNUSUAL REQUEST BUT WE REGARD US-ROK COUNCIL AS IMPORTANT MISSION
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OF TOP-RANKING US BUSINESS INTERESTS AND WOULD LIKE TO SEE

IT SUCCEED.

4. WE ALSO RECOGNIZE DELICACY SUCH A REQUEST AND WOULD WELCOME YOUR REACTION IF YOU FEEL REQUESTED ACTION INAPPROPRIATE.

5. KAL HAD REQUESTED SCHEDULE FOR CHARTERED BOEING 727 TO ARRIVE HANEDA IN TIME TO MEET NW 7 FLIGHT ARRIVING TOKYO, SATURDAY SEPTEMBER 14 AT 1540. WE UNDERSTAND KAL WOULD DEPART HANEDA AS SOON AS PASSENGERS TRANSFERRED, WITH DEPARTURE ABOUT 1600. JAPAN CAB SHOULD HAVE DETAILS OF KAL REQUEST. INGERSOLL

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